BASE HOSPITAL DATABASE:

• ACTIVE YEARS

1999 to current

MOST RECENT COMPLETE YEAR: 2004

• ANNUAL VOLUME:

Approximately 220,000

DESIGN:

The Base Hospital database contains approximately 100 data fields, some of which are not mandatory. Many of the data fields are designed to accept multiple entries. The data fields, their definitions, and their entry requirements (format and rules) are approved by the Emergency Medical Services Commission (EMSC) upon the recommendations of the EMSC's Data Advisory Committee and the EMS Agency with input from the Association of Prehosptal Care Coordinators (APCC), and are delineated in the Base Hospital Form Instruction Manual. All data field issues are regularly reviewed, and modified when necessary to meet system needs.

DATA COLLECTION:

o Data Source/Data Collection Tool:

Each of the 20 Base Hospitals enters into TEMIS the data extracted from the standard Base Hospital Form, which is completed by the Base Hospital MICN/physician for each paramedic call.

o Data Import:

Data files are imported each week-night into the central database at the EMS Agency, and are available the next day for system reporting.

o Data Entry Requirements:

- Entry into all fields, including those that are not mandatory, must follow the format and rules for those fields.
- All mandatory data must be entered within 30 days of the Base Hospital call.

PATIENT INCLUSION CRITERIA:

 All patients on whom Base Hospital contact is made, excluding those calls made exclusively to determine hospital diversion status. See <u>Reference No. 606</u>, <u>Documentation of Patient Care</u>